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APPROVAL OF THE ACTION MEMORANDUM/REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN INSTALLATION RESTORATION SITE 4-PUBLIC WORKS STORAGE YARD; NAVAL AIR WEAPONS STATION, POINT MUGU

Dear Captain Beal:

This is to notify you of the approval by the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) of the Action Memorandum/Remedial Action Plan (AM/RAP) dated November 13, 1996 for the Installation Restoration Site 4-Public Works Storage Yard at the Naval Air Weapons Station, Point Mugu, California.

With reference to our letter dated December 6, 1996 regarding the discovery of sixty-seven buried drums, the contents of which is yet to be determined, the remediation of the area where these drums were found must be incorporated into the overall remediation of Site 4 prior to the start of the wetland restoration. Work on the approved removal action may proceed on Site 4, except for that area where the drums noted above were discovered. Restoration work may proceed at the area where the drums were discovered after it has been characterized, removed, and if necessary remediated to risk based cleanup levels consistent with the final property use at Site 4. All investigation, risk assessment and remediation of the buried drums must be approved by DTSC.

DTSC received comments associated with the AM/RAP and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Negative Declaration during the public comment period that ended December 12, 1996. Effective December 16, 1996 the Navy may implement the proposed AM/RAP in accordance with our comments made herein above.

We look forward to working with you on this removal action. Please notify the State regulatory agency's project managers in writing at least one week prior to commencement of field work for possible oversight activities. This letter of approval shall not be construed as a covenant not to sue, release, waiver, or limitation on any



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rights, remedies, powers, or authorities, administrative, civil, or criminal, that DTSC may have under any statutory, regulatory, or common law authority to take legal action.

Sincerely

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (310) 590-4856 or Ms. Yvonne Sanchez of my staff at (310) 590-5564.

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